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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-10(cancelled).

Claim 11 (currently amended): A detergent composition comprising:

(a) an anionic surfactant selected from the group consisting of an alkylbenzenesulfonate, an alkyl sulfate, a soap, an alkanesulfonate, an olefinsulfonate, a methyl ester sulfonate, and mixtures thereof;

(b) a non-enzymatic protein and/or derivative thereof which is derivative comprises a condensation product of a hydrolysate with a fatty acid having from 6-22 carbon atoms;

(c) a phosphate;

(d) a disintegrating agent; and

(e) optionally, a co-surfactant selected from the group consisting of a nonionic surfactant, an amphoteric surfactant, and mixtures thereof, and wherein the detergent composition is in a ~~solid~~ tablet form.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the composition has a total surfactant content of from about 1 to 50% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the surfactant component is present in the composition in an amount of from about 5 to 25% by weight,

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based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the non-enzymatic protein is present in the composition in an amount of from about 0.1 to 10% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the non-enzymatic protein is present in the composition in an amount of from about 1 to 8% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the phosphate is present in the composition in an amount of from about 10 to 60% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 17 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the phosphate is present in the composition in an amount of from about 15 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the composition in an amount of from about 0.1 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the composition in an amount of from about 1 to 20% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

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Claim 20 (previously presented): The composition of claim 11 wherein the composition is free of cationic surfactant.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A process for making a solid-form detergent composition which imparts a soft feel onto clothes treated therewith comprising:

(a) providing an anionic surfactant selected from the group consisting of an alkylbenzenesulfonate, an alkyl sulfate, a soap, an alkanesulfonate, an olefinsulfonate, a methyl ester sulfonate, and mixtures thereof;

(b) providing a non-enzymatic protein and/or derivative thereof which derivative comprises a condensation product of a hydrolysate with a fatty acid having from 6-22 carbon atoms;

(c) providing a phosphate;

(d) providing a disintegrating agent;

(e) providing, optionally, a co-surfactant selected from the group consisting of a nonionic surfactant, an amphoteric surfactant, and mixtures thereof;

(f) mixing (a)-(e) to form a detergent mixture; and

(g) forming the detergent mixture into a solid tablet.

Claim 22 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the composition has a total surfactant content of from about 1 to 50% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the surfactant component is present in the composition in an amount of from about 5 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

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Claim 24 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the non-enzymatic protein is present in the composition in an amount of from about 0.1 to 10% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the non-enzymatic protein is present in the composition in an amount of from about 1 to 8% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the phosphate is present in the composition in an amount of from about 10 to 60% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the phosphate is present in the composition in an amount of from about 15 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the composition in an amount of from about 0.1 to 25% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the disintegrating agent is present in the composition in an amount of from about 1 to 20% by weight, based on the weight of the composition.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The process of claim 21 wherein the composition is free of cationic surfactant.